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Sir:

This is a timely-filed request for a refund for fees erroneously charged to our deposit account 50-3077 under 37 C.F.R. §1.26 in the above-cationed application. A fee of \$180.00 was charged on January 19, 2005 to our deposit account 50-3077 under fee code 1806 (Submission of an Information Disclosure Statement). An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on January 6, 2005, which is prior to the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits of February 10, 2005. No fee for a submission of the Information Disclosure Statement was due when the January 6, 2005 IDS was filed. Therefore, a refund of the \$180.00 is respectfully requested to be credited to our deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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